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Mr. Kevin Martin, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
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Mr. Chairman:

On behalf of many small-business owners in my district and my state, I see access to e-commerce as one of a small handful of absolutes for their success in the coming years. Conducting business on the Internet should not be lost on emerging small and independent business because of the cost-prohibitive and cumbersome Internet access alternatives currently offered.

There is a proposal to start a national network of free wireless broadband access to help small and independent business reap the rewards of a fully connected America. It could serve these businesses in a way no other provider has to date by making universal wireless Broadband connectivity a reality.

It could also service families and cities and towns without a charge.

I am asking your commission to carefully consider this proposal. All Americans should have access to fast and free wireless Internet access so everyone can benefit from this groundbreaking technology.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. McGee

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